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SUBJECT: QR CONSULTATIONS WITH URUGUAY

1. SUMMARY: DURING USEFUL EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON ALLEGED US QR'S NOTIFIED BY URUGUAY, URUGUAY EXPRESSED KEEN INTEREST IN OBTAINING QUOTA FOR ITALIAN TYPE CHEESES AND INDICATED ITS INTENTION TO SUBMIT FURTHER NOTIFICATIONS AT LATER DATE. END SUMMARY.

2. CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD WITH URUGUAY ON JULY 28 UNDER PROCEDURES OF MTN QR SUBGROUP WITH RESPECT TO THE URUGUAYAN NOTIFICATIONS OF ALLEGED QR'S MAINTAINED BY THE UNITED STATES. US DEL (KNEPPER, SWAIN, WALLAR) INDICATED THAT PURPOSE OF CONSULTATION WAS MERELY FOR INFORMATION EXCHANGE. URUGUAY (BOSCH

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AND HODARA) AGREED WITH THIS PROCEDURE, NOTED THE

PROVISIONAL CHARACTER OF THEIR CURRENT NOTIFICATION LIST, AND INDICATED THEIR INTENTION TO SUBMIT ADDITIONAL NOTIFICATIONS.

3. DISCUSSION ON SPECIFIC ITEMS WAS AS FOLLOWS:

A) CERTAIN CHEESES - URUGUAY SOUGHT CLARIFICATION OF QUOTA AND LICENSING PROCEDURES GOVERNING IMPORTS OF ITALIAN TYPE CHEESES (SBRINZ, TSUS 117.40; ROMANO, REGGIANO, PARMESANO ETC., TSUS 117.55) AND OTHER CHEESES (TSUS 117.55 AND 117.85), SPECIFICALLY MENTIONING DANBO CHEESE. CONTRARY TO THEIR NOTIFICATION, URUGUAY IS NOT INTERESTED IN COLBY CHEESE (TSUS 117.81). URUGUAY IS CONTINUING ITS EFFORTS TO MODERNIZE ITS CHEESE INDUSTRY AND, IN ANTICIPATION OF INCREASING THEIR PRODUCTION CAPACITY FOR ADDITIONAL EXPORT, IS SEEKING POSSIBLE OUTLET IN U.S. MARKET. U.S. EXPLAINED RATIONALE FOR SECTION 22 QUOTAS ON THESE PRODUCTS AND NOTED US GATT WAIVER. US EXPLAINED CONTROL PROCEDURES FOR ISSUING LICENSES AND NOTED SOME LICENSES ISSUED FOR NEW SOURCES OF IMPORTS TO PERSONS WHO ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF IMPORTING DAIRY PRODUCTS TO US).

B) CONFECTIONARIES AND SWEETENED CHOCOLATE - U.S. EXPLAINED THAT QUOTAS WERE NO LONGER MAINTAINED ON THE CONFECTIONARY PRODUCTS (TSUS 157.10.20 AND 157.10.40) AND SECTION 22 QUOTA MAINTAINED ON CHOCOLATE CRUMB (TSUS 156.30) DUE TO ITS BUTTERFAT CONTENT. URUGUAY INDICATED THAT IT WAS INTERESTED IN EXPORTS OF CANDY KNOWN AS CARMELA.

C) VARIOUS TEXTILE ITEMS - PER POSITION PAPER, U.S. INDICATED THAT IT IMPOSED NO QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS ON IMPORTS OF THESE TEXTILE ITEMS FOR URUGUAY. U.S. NOTED THAT WITH URUGUAY SIGNING AGREEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE ON TEXTILES, ANY U.S. RESTRICTIONS ON THESE ITEMS WOULD BE NOTIFIED TO TEXTILE SURVEILLANCE BOARD.

4. DR. BOSCH EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR USEFUL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CLARIFICATION SESSION AND STATED THAT HE PLANS TO PREPARE A WRITTEN REPORT OF THE CONSULTATION FOR SUBMISSION TO QR SUBGROUP. HE ALSO STATED HE WOULD PROVIDE US MTN DEL WITH LIST OF SPECIFIC CHEESES IN WHICH URUGUAY HAS AND INTEREST. WALKER

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